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Mon. 13.—The Utah legislature convened in G. S. L. City and adjourned to meet at Fillmore.

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Wilford Woodruff, President of the Coun-

cil *pro tem*, and Aaron Johnson speaker of the house *pro tem*. It then passed a reso-

lution to adjourn the assembly to G. S.

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## 1859.

The Federal judges in Utah exercised undue authority and caused considerable difficulty by instituting court proceedings against the leaders of the Church and others. A number of settlements were founded in Cache Valley, where a Stake of Zion was organized. Provo Valley, Utah, was settled at Heber, Midway and Charles-

town. January.—Sat. 1.—The *Millennial Star* announced to the Saints in Europe that emigration to Utah was again open for those who had means to take them through.

Tues. 11.—A legislative act, changing the county seat of Washington County from Harmony to the town of Washington, was approved.

Wed. 16.—An act passed by the Utah legislature reorganizing Carson and Green River Counties and attaching St. Mary's and Humboldt Counties to Carson County, was approved. Genoa was made the county seat of Carson and Ft. Bridger

February.—The Deseret Alphabet was first introduced in Utah.

—The 58th quorum of Seventy was organized at Brigham City, Box Elder Co., Utah. Some time previously the 56th and 57th quorums had been organized.

Tues. 3.—The 56th quorum of Seventy was organized by Joseph Young at North Willow Creek (Willard), Box Elder Co., Utah, with George J. Marsh, Thomas W. Brewerton, John M. McMarsh, Richard J. Davis, Eliza Mallory, Mathew W. Dalton and Peter Greenhalgh as presidents.

Fri. 7.—The 60th quorum of Seventy was organized at Ogden, Weber Co., Utah, with Luman A. Shurtliff as senior president.

Fri. 25.—The 61st quorum of Seventy was organized at Mill Creek, G. S. L. Co., with John Scott, James Craigain, Wm. Castro, James P. Park, Andrew J. Rymer, son, Dudley J. Merrill and Thurston Lar-

March.—Plain City, Weber Co., Utah, was settled by Jeppe G. Folkman, Christopher O. Folkman, Jens Peter Folkman, Joseph Skeen, Daniel Collett, John

Spies, John Carver, Wm. Geddes and others.

Tues. 8.—Associate Justice John Cradlebaugh, in his charge to the grand jury, composed of "Mormons," at Provo, called them "fools," "dupes," "instruments of a tyrannical church despotism," etc. Provo was occupied by a detachment of U. S. troops.

Wed. 9.—A small company of Saints, under the leadership of Joseph Humphreys, bound for America. They arrived at Boston early in May, 1859.

Mon. 21.—A small company of Saints, from Australia arrived at San Francisco, Calif., en route for G. S. L. City.

Tues. 22.—Howard O. Spencer, a Mormon youth, was assaulted and brutally beaten on the head by Sergeant Ralph Pike, of the U. S. army in Rush Valley, Utah.

Sun. 27.—Gov. Cumming issued a proclamation against the presence of troops in Provo. About this time it was reported that certain U. S. officials had entered into a conspiracy to secure the arrest of Pres. Brigham Young, and that Col. Johnston had promised the assistance of U. S. troops under his command to effect the arrest. As a consequence Gov. Cumming notified General Daniel H. Wells to hold the militia in readiness to prevent the outrage, should it be attempted; 5,000 troops (militia) were placed under arms.

April.—Mon. 4.—The U. S. troops evacuated Provo.

Wed. 6.—The 29th annual conference of the Church was commenced at G. S. L. City. Benjamin L. Clapp, one of the presidents of the Seventies, was excommunicated from the Church on the 7th, for apostacy.

Mon. 11.—The ship *William Tapscott* sailed from Liverpool, England, with 725 Saints, under the direction of Robert F. Nesten. The company arrived at New York May 14th, and at Florence, Neb., May 25th.

May.—Tues. 10.—Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston promised protection to all persons who wished to leave the Territory of Utah.

Wed. 11.—Isaac Alfred was assaulted and killed by Thomas Irie, at Mount Pleasant, Sanpete Co., Utah.

Wed. 18.—Joseph Abbott was killed by lightning while engaged in planting corn on the "Old Port Square," G. S. L. City.

Thurs. 26.—James Johnson, a son of Uriah S. Johnson of Sanpete County, was shot and mortally wounded by Delos Gibbons in G. S. L. City. Death ensued the following day. A number of other murders, principally among bad characters who infested the Territory, took place about the same time.

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October.—Mon. 10.—Smithfield, Cache Co., was settled by Seth Langton and Robert and John Thorney.

Fri. 28.—Thos. H. Ferguson, the murderer, was executed in G. S. L. City. This was the first execution of a criminal in Utah.

November.—Mon. 14.—A Stake of Zion was partly organized in Cache Valley, son in G. S. L. City. Peter Mauhan was appointed presiding Bishop in Cache Valley. Logan Ward was organized, with Wm. B. Preston as Bishop.

Dec. 1.—The first "Pony Express" from the West arrived at G. S. L. City, having left Sacramento, Cal., on the evening of April 3rd.

Mon. 9.—The first "Pony Express" from the East arrived at G. S. L. City, having left St. Joseph, Mo., on the evening of April 3rd.

The Union Academy was opened in the building known as the Union Hotel (afterwards Deseret Hospital), with Orson Pratt as principal.

Fri. 13.—Thos. Miles was attacked and wounded by Indians, between Ogden and Kaysville. The savages proceeded to Brigham City, where they stole horses and insulted the citizens.

Mon. 16.—Hyde Park, Cache Co., was settled by several families from Utah

direction of James Chaplew. It arrived at New York Aug. 21st.

Thurs. 14.—Geo. W. Bradley was ordained Bishop of Moroni, Sanpete Co., which place had recently been settled.

August.—Mon. 7.—Wm. H. Berrick was elected Utah's second delegate to Congress. Hon. John M. Bernhard having served in that capacity since the organization of the Territory.

Thurs. 11.—Sergeant Ralph Pike, a U. S. soldier, was shot in G. S. L. City, in supposed retaliation for having cracked the scull of Howard O. Spencer with a musket, on early in May, 1859.

Mon. 15.—U. S. soldiers set fire to a haystack at Cedar Fort, Cedar Valley, Utah, there for three years.

Wed. 15.—Wm. Price was ordained the first Bishop of Goshen, Utah Co.

March.—Thurs. 1.—Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston, commander of the Utah Army, mostly Swiss, under the direction of Henry Hunt.

Sat. 27.—The first number of the *Monitor*, a weekly newspaper, was published in G. S. L. City; Messrs. Blair, Ferguson & Stout editors and proprietors.

Mon. 29.—Captain James Brown's company of immigrants, which had left Florence June 12th, and consisted of 533 souls with 59 wagons, arrived at G. S. L. City.

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March.—Thurs. 1.—Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston, commander of the Utah Army. He had never visited G. S. L. City since he passed through with his army on June 26, 1858. Philip St. George Cooke, formerly commander of the Mormon Battalion, succeeded Johnston in the command.

Sun. 4.—Levi Gifford, formerly a member of Zion's Camp, died at Moroni, Sanpete Co., in G. S. L. City.

Mon. 19.—Dr. Wm. France died suddenly in G. S. L. City.

Mon. 25.—Apostle Ezra T. Benson moved to Logan, Cache Co., having been called to preside over the Saints in Cache Valley.

Fri. 30.—The ship *Undivided* sailed from Liverpool, England, with 594 British and Swiss Saints, under the presidency of James D. Ross. It arrived at New York May 1st, and the emigrants continued to Florence, where Geo. Q. Cannon was acting as Church emigration agent this year, to arrange for the journey across the plains.

April.—Hyrum, Cache Co., Utal, was first settled by about twenty families. In the following month Calvin Bingham was appointed Bishop. Paradise, Cache Co., was settled about the same time.

Sat. 7.—The Saints who had settled on lower Beaver Creek, Beaver Co., Minersville, by Apostles Amasa M. Lyman and Charles C. Rich; James K. Rollins, Bishop.

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## DAVID WOOD

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David Wood was an active member of the Mormon Church. He assisted in building the Nauvoo Temple. He was a carpenter and cabinet maker. He spent considerable time as a successful missionary among the Indians.

He and his good wife were sturdy, courageous people who did much to pioneer and develop Provo valley.

David Wood died March 6, 1871 in Midway. His wife, Catherine, died January 2, 1879, in Midway.

They were the parents of 10 children:  
Benjamin George, married Christann Duel  
Sarah Catherine, died in infancy  
Margaret Polly, married Levi Empey  
David, died in early manhood  
Sarah Ann, married Hyrum Oaks  
Amanda, married Jesse McCarrell  
Delilah, died in youth  
William Osburn, married Eliza Kettle  
Elizabeth Agnes, married Benjamin Mark  
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Oscar Alexander, married Mary Jane Ross.